

10                   METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR PRESENTING  
                    A VIRTUAL REPRESENTATION OF A REAL CITY

Abstract of the Disclosure

                    A virtual city service that provides access  
to a virtual city application is provided. Users may  
15   navigate among a virtual representation of a real  
region, such as a city. The interface may include  
images of actual city blocks that have interactive  
items of interest such as storefronts. Users may  
virtually shop in the stores that adorn the virtual  
20   city blocks. The virtual city application may process  
orders for all merchants -- local or web-based. An  
artificial intelligence component may be used in the  
form of a back-end linear programming model to provide  
an intelligent personal assistant. Chore-management  
25   may thus be automated.

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